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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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In re Application of

Expected Art Unit: 2764

Rule 53(b) Continuation of Serial No. 09/034,561 filed March 3, 1998

Expected Examiner: R. Alvarez

File concurrently herewith

For: ELECTRONIC BILL PROCESSING

## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Honorable Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

This preliminary amendment is directed to the accompanying Rule 53(b) continuation application, which is a continuation of the above referenced application. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

## IN THE TITLE

Please amend the title to read "ELECTRONIC BILL PRESENTMENT INTERFACE".